

Whereas, The United States relies on carbon-based fossil fuels for more than 90 percent of its total energy supply; and

Whereas, The requirements of the Protocol would bind the United States to more than a 35 percent reduction in carbon dioxide emissions between 2008 and 2012; and

Whereas, Research has not reached convincing proof that fossil fuel related emissions is in fact creating global climate changes; and

Whereas, Economic impact studies by the United States government estimate that the requirements of the treaty could result in the loss of 900,000 jobs, increased energy prices, losses of output in energy intensive industries such as aluminum, steel, rubber, chemical and utility production and especially the coal industry; and

Whereas, The State of West Virginia, being dependent upon these industries and especially upon the coal industry, would experience these effects severely, including the possible loss of thousands of jobs; and

Whereas, The President of the United States pledged on October 22, 1997, that the United States will not assume binding obligations unless key developing nations meaningfully participate in this effort; and

Whereas, The failure of key developing nations to participate will create unfair competitive imbalances between the United States and these developing nations, potentially leading to the transfer of jobs vital to the West Virginia economy to developing nations; and

Whereas, On July 25, 1997, the United States Senate adopted Senate Resolution No. 98, expressing the sense of the Senate that the United States should not be a signatory to any protocol or to any other agreement which would require the advice and consent of the Senate to ratify, and which would mandate new commitments to mitigate greenhouse gas emissions unless the protocol or agreement mandates commitments and compliance by developing nations; therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia,* That the President of the United States is requested not to sign the Kyoto Protocol so long as the possibility of all above mentioned negative effects upon the American economy exists; and, be it

*Further Resolved,* That, in the event that the President signs the Kyoto Protocol, the Senate of the United States is requested to refuse ratification of the Protocol so long as the possibility of said effects exists; and, be it

*Further Resolved,* That the Clerk of the House of Delegates shall, immediately upon its adoption, transmit duly authenticated copies of this resolution to the President of the United States, to the President Pro Tempore and the Secretary of the United States Senate, and to the United States Senators representing West Virginia.

“ 9902.30.18	(1R,3R)-3(2,2-dibromovinyl)-2,2-dimethylcyclopropane-carboxylic acid (S)-alpha-cyano-3-phenoxybenzyl ester (deltamethrin) in bulk or in forms or packings for retail sale (CAS No. 52918-63-5) (provided for in subheading 2926.90.30 or 3808.10.25)	Free	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2000	....”
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(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this section applies with respect to goods entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after the 15th day after the date of enactment of this Act.

S. 1623

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following report of committee was submitted:

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:

Special Report entitled “History, Jurisdiction, and a Summary of Activities of the committee on Energy and Natural Resources During the 104th Congress” (Rept. No. 105-160).

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:

Margaret Hornbeck Greene, of Kentucky, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Enrichment Corporation for a term expiring February 24, 2003.

Donald J. Barry, of Wisconsin, to be Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife.

(The above nominations were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed, subject to the nominees’ commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.)

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. ROTH:

S. 1622. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on deltamethrin; to the Committee on Finance.

S. 1623. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on diclofop-methyl; to the Committee on Finance.

S. 1624. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on piperonyl butoxide; to the Committee on Finance.

S. 1625. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on resmethrin; to the Committee on Finance.

S. 1626. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on thidiazuron; to the Committee on Finance.

S. 1627. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on tralomethrin; to the Committee on Finance.

S. 1628. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on synthetic organic coloring matter c.i. pigment yellow 109; to the Committee on Finance.

S. 1629. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on synthetic organic coloring

matter c.i. pigment yellow 110; to the Committee on Finance.

S. 1630. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on pigment red 177; to the Committee on Finance.

LEGISLATION TO SUSPEND TEMPORARILY THE DUTY ON CERTAIN CHEMICALS

Mr. ROTH. Mr. President, I rise today to introduce nine bills to suspend temporarily the imposition of duties on the importation of certain products.

I am pleased to introduce six bills to suspend temporarily the imposition of duties on imports of certain chemicals used in the production of pesticides. These chemicals are deltamethrin, diclofop-methyl, piperonyl butoxide, resmethrin, thidiazuron and tralomethrin. By temporarily suspending the imposition of duties, these bills would help AgrEvo USA, a company located in Wilmington, Delaware, lower its cost of production and improve its competitiveness.

I am also pleased to introduce three bills to suspend temporarily the imposition of duties on imports of Pigment Yellow 109, Yellow 110 and Pigment Red 177. These high quality coloring materials are imported for sale in the United States by Ciba Specialty Chemicals Corporation (Pigments Division), a company located in Newport, Delaware. By temporarily suspending the imposition of duties, these bills will reduce significantly the cost of coloring materials that are used in a wide variety of finished products, including automotive parts, vinyl flooring, carpet fibers and plastic utensils.

I ask unanimous consent that these bills be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the bills were ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

S. 1622

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

SECTION 1. TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF DUTY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter II of chapter 99 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States is amended by inserting in numerical sequence the following new heading:

S. 1624

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

SECTION 1. TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF DUTY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter II of chapter 99 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States is amended by inserting in numerical sequence the following new heading: